

**TOWN OF FIFIELD REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MINUTES OF December 5, 2019**

ROLL CALL: The meeting was brought to order on December 5, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. at the Fifield Town Hall. Roll Call: W. Felch, J. Hintz, B. Salm were in attendance. Also present were T. Birchell, T. Fleming, J. Jontry, B. Lobermeier and 9 others. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

MINUTES: A MOTION (Hintz, Salm) was made to accept the Minutes of the November 21, 2019 Regular Board Meeting. Motion carried, voice vote (3, 0).

TOWN CREW REPORT: T. Fleming reported the furnaces in the shop needed new exhaust piping. B. Scullin did the work and they are functioning well. Christmas decorations were put up. We had two major snowstorms and the crew has been busy plowing and sanding. Hoses on the grader were changed due to failure; one may be under warranty. Ted requested letters be sent to homeowners on Bay Road regarding woodcutting; Ted will contact Gehrman to ask if he wants to do the work. J. Nelson stated there is a very large pile of snow causing a sight obstruction on Turner-Gerber Road at Highway 70. Ted stated the Crew will knock the pile down.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORTS: *Fire Department #1:* B. Lobermeier reported three EMR calls and one structure fire. Elections were held last night for officers for the next two years, as follows: W. Felch, Fire Chief; W. Kasowicz, Assistant Chief; Peter Felch, First Captain; Dustin Zirbel, Second Captain; Robert Lobermeier, First Lieutenant; Jason Lyon, Second Lieutenant. There will be a multi-department extrication class in Fifield on December 14th. *Fire Department #2:* T. Birchell reported one EMS call. Pump testing is continuing to meet the new 330 standards. Several people from the Pike Lake Fire Department will be attending the training on December 14th.

CEMETERY REPORT: MOTION (Hintz, Salm) to accept the Cemetery Report provided by M. Behling. Motion carried, voice vote (3, 0).

UPDATE ON FR142/TWIN LAKES ROAD: B. Felch attended a pre-construction meeting with the contractor and the Forest Service. The contractor intends to begin work around Christmas. The Forest Service requested signs and they have been ordered.

UPDATE ON SQUAW CREEK CULVERT PROJECT: B. Felch reported the project is nearly finished and water should be flowing on Monday. They are hoping to dig out the temporary road soon and not have to do it in spring.

REVIEW AND SIGN THREE-YEAR LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING FROM EAGLE AUDIT & ACCOUNTING: The Board accepted and signed the new three-year auditor contract.

DRIVEWAY ACCESS PERMITS: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT: T. Birchell asked about the new resolution concerning snow being plowed into roadways. Who will provide reports; what constitutes an obstacle; does this pertain to homeowners or business drivers? B. Felch indicated the resolution affects anyone who plows snow into the right-of-way and an obstacle would be any snow that creates a hazard to vehicles. T. Fleming stated the Crew will make notes of problem areas to submit to the Board. The Board would issue warning letters prior to imposing a fine.

CORRESPONDENCE: J. Jontry presented a flyer from Emergency Government regarding a disaster response workshop.

REVIEW INVOICES: MOTION (Hintz, Salm) to accept invoices for payment. Motion carried, voice vote (3, 0).

ADJOURN: A MOTION was made at 7:20 p.m. (Salm, Hintz) to adjourn. Motion carried, voice vote (3, 0).

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer J. Jontry, Town Clerk/Treasurer